

er Shively in the afternoon and the writer again in the evening. After each of the first two services a public canvass of the audience was made to raise the amount necessary to cover the cost of the building. Had there been the number present that was expected, undoubtedly all that was needed would have been secured. As it was, notwithstanding those present responded most nobly, there was lacking, after the canvass had been thoroughly made, about \$275. The brethren were averse to formally and conclusively offering to the Lord a building not entirely paid for. Hence the conclusion of the dedication begun was postponed until those from whom liberal donations were expected, but who were not present, can be seen privately and the sum needed raised. When this is done we agreed to return and finish the work so hopefully begun and so nearly completed.

The Bryan class numbers eighteen members all told. They are all rich in faith and good works, but not burdened with this world's goods. It is always an inspiration to mingle with Christians of this type. They have shown a faith and zeal most worthy of emulation. We know of no other place where so few in such limited circumstances have done so much for the cause which should lie heaviest upon all our hearts. But a day of rejoicing for them is evidently near at hand. A good revivalist will find at Bryan a most bountiful harvest ready for the Lord's sickle.

As we shall have more to say of the work done at this place, and how it has been accomplished, when the dedication is concluded we shall drop the thread of this narrative right here. Such interesting (?) items as the time we took the trains, where we changed cars and what rail roads carried us, we shall probably omit altogether.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Price of EVANGELIST from June 1st to end of the year 85 cents.

Sixty-three communicants attended the Falls City, Neb., church love feast.

Elder Henry Wise has been sick but at present is improved some with hopes of complete recovery soon.

Elder D. C. Moomaw expects this week to start on a two week's tour of preaching in southern Virginia.

We expect a visit from Brother Dr. Garst, the newly elected president of Ashland University, to-night.

We are glad to note that Sister Eichorn, of Marshalltown, Iowa, is sacrificing herself for the good of the church at that place. God's promises to the faithful are sure.

One German company has recently turned out 300 electrical wagons for pleasure and industrial purposes, capable of making much better speed and hauling heavier loads than a horse.

We greatly enjoyed our interview with Bro. Shively at Bryan, as well as the sermon which we heard him preach. For a rich vocabulary, pleasing logic and graceful delivery he is a Gunsaulus.

Our next issue will be a "special conference" number. We shall try to get it out one day earlier than usual in order to be at the G. B. Brethren Annual meeting at Meyersdale on Wednesday and Thursday.

The article by Mrs. Wm. P. Nininger, daughter of Elder D. C. Moomaw, on *Mission work imperative*, was read at the Virginia conference. It contains some practical ideas on the S. S. C. E. work along the line of missions. Read it.

Our Brother, Prof. J. H. Hall, of Harrisonburg, Va., author of several very meritorious music books, published by The Reubush-Kieffer Co., of Dayton, Va., will conduct a Normal music school of four weeks at Summersville, W. Va., beginning July 23rd.

Hagerstown, Md., brethren have added to their number another efficient worker in the person of Prof. J. H. Hall of Harrisonburg, Va. He will remain until June 6th and we doubt not that the music part of the service will compare favorably with the best. Surely success will crown their efforts.

Those who do not wish to pay for their board and lodging while attending the state convention at West Alexandria should *immediately* address Brother Shively that he may make arrangements for their free entertainment. In consideration of what you are to receive in return, it is a very small thing to drop a card to Brother Martin Shively, Gratis, Ohio, telling him that you expect to attend the conference.

The Hudson, Iowa, Ladies' Aid Society set an example which others would do well to follow. One of their members moved to a far country where she will not likely be able to attend Brethren preaching and they propose to keep her in the more perfect way by sending her the EVANGELIST and King's Children as a donation. An occasional letter from this sister would add much to the columns of the EVANGELIST. Shall we have it, sister?

Bro. Haskins started to Hudson last Sunday night, but upon entering a fireless coach after heavy labor in preaching found himself chilling, and lung trouble imminent. Although he had purchased a ticket through to Chicago, he felt unsafe to continue the journey farther than Gallion.

He returned on the first train to Ashland, and hopes by taking proper care of himself to be all right again in a few days.

We most heartily congratulate our Hagerstown Brethren for their zeal and management in reaching the goal of their desires to have a church of their own in the city. One of the most hopeful things about the Brethren church is that its work is prospering most in the villages and cities. This shows its position is both reasonable and acceptable. Whenever our claims are presented with the same ability that the claims of others are we have the preponderance of success.

King's Children societies are being organized all over the Brotherhood. The one at Falls City, Neb., is the latest one reported to us. Brother Hall says at Montour, Iowa, the Brethren expect to organize a young people's society. We hope they will work under our national organization, as the helps afforded by the King's Children paper are equal to those of other denominations, and we have the assurance that Brethren doctrine will be taught because these helps are prepared by one of our able ministers. No King's Children society is fully equipped until each member has access to the pages of the King's Children paper.

"There is a possibility," says the New York Tribune, that a fourth Brooklyn Tabernacle may be built, but the likelihood that it will be is small. Dr. Talmage said yesterday that he regarded his pastoral work as ended, though, of course, he expects to continue preaching. To build him a new church will cost, it is estimated, about \$285,000, and Dr. Talmage declares that not the first step towards its erection must be taken until the necessary funds are all secured. This is a prudent determination. His experience with a huge church debt has been sufficient to teach him the folly of going into an enterprise that is not fully paid for at the start, and he will be wise to stick to this decision.

Some ministers seem to feel that every dime that goes from their churches to missions, education or literature means just one dime less for them. Do facts bear out such opinions? No, but the reverse. The less selfish any congregation is the better it provides for all who are dependent upon it. Nothing so clearly indicates unselfishness as the support given to missions and educational institutions. Selfishness is farthest away from the man who does the most for a cause that does not in any way enhance local interests. Encourage your members to do more than full share in supporting missions and the general work of the church. If you want bread to eat cast it on the waters; it will return after many days.